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GOVERNOR TOMBLIN PRESENTS JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANT AWARDS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. —Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin today presented \$325,000 in West Virginia Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) funds for 15 projects. These funds will be used to address the growing problem of juvenile crime by promoting greater accountability in the juvenile justice system. The recent awards are focused in the areas of accountability-based sanction programs for juvenile offenders; specialized juvenile prosecution, court and probation programs; and school safety programs.

These funds are provided by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and are administered by West Virginia Division of Justice and Community Services.

Funds were awarded to the following:

BROOKE

Brooke County Commission

\$15,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Brooke High School.

Contact: Deputy J. M. White

Phone: (304) 737-3660

Email: whytee32@hotmail.com

HAMPSHIRE

Hampshire County Commission

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These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Hampshire County High School.

Contact: Ms. Linda L. Nixon

Phone: (304) 822-5382

Email: lnixon@access.k12.wv.us

HARRISON

Harrison County Commission

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at South Harrison High School.

Contact: Ms. M. L. Quinn

Phone: (304) 624-8539

Email: mlquinn@harrisoncountywv.com

City of Clarksburg

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Robert C. Byrd High School.

Contact: Mr. Scott Vinson

Phone: (304) 326-7217

Email: stvinson@harrco911.org

KANAWHA

Kanawha County Commission

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide for Project INTER-CEPT, which identifies court-involved youth who have mental health issues, delivers court-ordered mental health treatment, and holds youth accountable for treatment compliance by collaborating with the juvenile court system.

Contact: Mr. Robert Eggleton

Phone: (304) 341-0511

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MASON

Mason County Commission

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to fund a Teen Court in Mason County. Teen Court is an alternative system of justice that offers young criminal offenders the opportunity to take responsibility for their actions.

Contact: Mr. Greg Fowler

Phone: (304) 593-0072

Email: frnofmasoncounty@hotmail.com

MINGO

Mingo County Commission

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Mingo County Central Comprehensive High School.

Contact: Ms. Leigh Ann Ray

Phone: (304) 235-0594

Email: lwells@mingocountywv.com

MONONGALIA

Monongalia County Commission

\$15,000.00

These funds will be utilized to aid in the reduction of juvenile crime/substance abuse in Monongalia County by providing a Delinquency Intervention Program that is accountability-based. The Project includes a Status/Early Offender, Intermediate Delinquent Offender and Aftercare Offender Components.

Contact: Mr. Danny H. Trejo

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MORGAN

Morgan County Commission

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to fund a Teen Court in Morgan County. Teen Court is an alternative system of justice that offers young criminal offenders the opportunity to take responsibility for their actions.

Contact: Ms. Megan Scott

Phone: (304) 258-7807

Email: megan@morganpartnership.org

NICHOLAS

Nicholas County Commission

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Richwood High School.

Contact: Cpl. D. W. Silman

Phone: (304) 846-2591

Email: ncsd203dan@yahoo.com

City of Summersville

\$40,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Summersville Middle School and a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Nicholas County High School.

Contact: Mr. Rodney D. Truman

Phone: (304) 872-1920

Email: Iamlefty107@yahoo.com

UPSHUR

Upshur County Commission

\$15,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide for an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney to be assigned to handle juvenile delinquency, status, and truancy cases in Upshur

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County. The Assistant Prosecutor supported by these funds will expedite the prosecution of violent juvenile offenders and more effectively address drug, gang, and youth violence problems in Upshur County.

Contact: Ms. Stephanie J. Milliron

Phone: (304) 472-9699

Email: smilliron@upshurcounty.org

WETZEL

City of New Martinsville

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Magnolia High School.

Contact: Chief Timothy Cecil

Phone: (304) 455-9110

Email: chief_cecil@yahoo.com

Wetzel County Commission

\$20,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Valley High School.

Contact: Sheriff James Hoskins

Phone: (304) 455-2430

Email: wcsowv@yahoo.com

STATEWIDE

West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals

\$45,000.00

These funds will be utilized to provide current juvenile justice probation data to the State of West Virginia, the federal government, West Virginia Division of Justice and Community Services, the State Advisory Group and the citizens of West Virginia through the maintenance and daily management of the Juvenile Justice Database. Funding will also provide updates to the system and will support the analysis, technical assistance, training and production of state report on juvenile justice.

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